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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. WE NOTE FROM STATE 30182 THAT KARPOV LEFT
U.S. FEB 6. WE ASSUME NO ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE,
BUT IF WE GET INQUIRIES HERE ON STATUS OF CASE
WE COULD USE SOME PRESS GUIDANCE, ON HIS "WITHDRAWAL."

2. RE: PARA 3 OF STATE 32353; IF TOM JOHNSON IS
PERSUADED THAT HERB POLLOCK SHOULD COME HERE WITH
THE BLOOD TEAM, WE WILL DEFER HIS JUDGMENT.
HOWEVER, WE WILL NEED GUIDANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT
ON HOW TO BRIEF EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS ON THIS
VISIT. WE WILL ALSO NEED PRESS GUIDANCE AS WE THINK
IT LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE PUBLICITY RESULTING
FROM THE VISIT. IF THE DEPARTMENT STILL WISHES TO
TALK TO JACK MATLOCK - AND WE THINK THIS IS UN-
NECESSARY - HE WILL BE IN VIENNA FROM 1425 ON
FEB 13 TO 1535 ON FEB 14. AFTER THAT HE WILL BE
IN BUDAPEST UNTIL THE EVENING OF FEB 15. HE CAN
BE REACHED THROUGH THE EMBASSIES THERE.

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